



## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## HOMICIDE NORTH FERRO AND EAST 7<sup>TH</sup> STREET

The Tucson Police Department received several 911 calls at approximately 10:49 a.m. on December 22, 2011 from citizens reporting a **shooting incident** that occurred near the intersection of **North 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue and East 6<sup>th</sup> Street**. Officers from Operations Division Downtown initially responded to the area, arriving within approximately 2 minutes of the first 911 call. Officers from Operations Division West and Operations Division South as well as officers working in various specialty assignments also responded to assist with the investigation of the incident.

Responding officers learned that several subjects potentially associated with the shooting incident might still be in the area. As such, they established containment of the area, closing several city streets in the surround neighborhoods. Officers arriving to the intersection of North 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue and East 6<sup>th</sup> Street encountered **two adult male victims**, who were suffering from apparent gunshot wounds. Both males were transported to a local hospital emergency room with life threatening injuries. One of the males succumbed to his injuries while at the hospital. His name is being withheld pending next of kin notification. The other male remains at the hospital, but is expected to survive his injuries.

Detectives from the Gang Investigations Unit responded to further the investigation due to the fact that initial indications were that at least one of the persons involved in the incident had gang affiliations. A total of three males were detained as persons of interest during the initial patrol response to the area. Detectives continue their efforts to determine if the detained males were or were not involved in the incident in any capacity (victim, witness, or suspect). At this time, the motive and/or suspect(s) for the crimes are yet to be determined. The detectives will continue their investigation, and additional information will be released once it is available.

The Tucson Police Department requests the public's assistance in identifying the motives and/or suspects associated with this crime. If you have information related to the incident, please call **911 or 88-Crime**.

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